

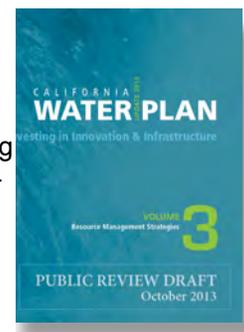
Wednesday Update**Oct. 16, 2013**

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This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

Volume 3: Water Plan's draft resource management strategies posted today

Volume 3 of the *California Water Plan Update 2013 public review draft* was released this morning and is available for comment. This volume contains chapters dedicated to resource management strategies for improving water use efficiency, water supply, water quality, flood management, operational efficiency & transfers, resource stewardship, and water & culture. [Public comments](#) will be accepted through Monday, Dec. 2. Volume 1 was released earlier this month; Volume 2 will be released Wednesday, Oct. 23. Each volume has a 45-day comment period. Comments will also be accepted during the Water Plan [plenary meeting](#), Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 29 and 30, in Sacramento.



Round 2 of IRWM strategic plan workshops begins tomorrow

The [second round of workshops](#) in the development of the *Strategic Plan for the Future of Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) in California* will begin tomorrow, Oct. 17, in Clovis. Other workshops will be held in Temecula, Burbank, Stockton and Redding. An advanced materials package is available to all new workshop [registrants](#).

CDFA group report looks at climate change effects on specialty crops

A group convened by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has released its report, [Climate Change Consortium for Specialty Crops - Impacts and Strategies for Resilience](#). It is part of the ongoing effort to ensure that California is prepared for the impacts of climate change by identifying recommendations to address the challenges posed to producers of specialty crops. Details are available in this [news release](#).



Water Boards looking for ways to promote groundwater cooperation

The State Water Resources Control Board is looking for input on a workplan that will increase cooperation when it comes to groundwater issues in California. A draft [concept paper](#) has been developed to create a starting point for discussion on the plan's framework. The [State Water Boards Groundwater Workplan](#) page has details.

\$10 million awarded to projects that mitigate environmental impacts

The California Natural Resources Agency has announced the projects that will receive a total of \$10 million in funding to mitigate environmental impacts caused by new or modified state transportation facilities. The grants are part of the [Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Grant Program](#). The funding will cover 37 projects. The list of recipients is available in this [news release](#).

